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Short Profile of Koshari, Rashed & Riad Law Firm

Koshari, Rashed & Riad is one of the leading law firms in Egypt in the field of Corporate Law, Telecommunication, Privatization, Litigation and Arbitration.

Koshari, Rashed & Riad Law Firm has numerous international clients such as Caterpillar, Four Seasons, BP, Philips, TUI, Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank, Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank, Mashreq Bank, Bank of America, J-power Systems, Lockheed Martin, Petroleum Geo-Services ASA, Sumitomo Electric Industries Ltd, Time Warner, Servier, United States of America, Siemens, etc.

Kosheri, Rashed & Riad have represented and currently represents several international clients in the field of telecommunication such as A, T and T, Herakles Telecom, Flag Corporation (the fiber optics cable between U.S.A. and Japan) and Telemedia Egypt, in addition to representing some of previous shareholders in Vodafone Egypt, the holder of 2nd GSM License in Egypt and Companie Générale de Services et d'Applications de Telecommunications and Saudi Telecommunications Company.

Our Partners Dr. Kosheri and Dr. Riad before joining Kosheri, Rashed & Riad were members of the Egyptian Council of State, an Egyptian judicial authority responsible – *inter alia* - for providing the Egyptian Government (including the different ministries) with legal advice for issues including procurement rules and procedures.

Kosheri, Rashed & Riad was involved in the privatization of the Eastern Tobacco Company, which holds the cigarette monopoly in Egypt. The value of this deal is expected to be around six billion Egyptian Pounds.

Dr. El Kosheri, the Senior Partner of Kosheri, Rashed & Riad, was the Vice Chairman of the ICC Court of Arbitration from 1998 until 2009 and currently Dr. El Kosheri is the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Cairo Regional Arbitration Centre in addition to being member of its Board of Trustees of the of the Cairo Regional Arbitration Centre and a member of ICCA. Dr. Kosheri has written numerous articles about arbitration.

Dr. Riad is a member of the Board of Trustees and the Chairman of the Executive Committee of Dubai International Arbitration Centre in addition to being member of the International Chamber of Commerce World Business Law Institute Scientific Council, an alternate member of the ICC Court of Arbitration, member of the ICC Commission on Arbitration and member of the ICCA.

Dr. Tarek F. Riad, the Managing Partner of Kosheri, Rashed & Riad was involved in drafting numerous Egyptian Commercial Laws such as the Egyptian Companies Law, the Egyptian Telecommunications Law, the Special Economic Courts Law and the Egyptian Anti Monopoly Law in his

capacity as a member of the Economic Committee of the Supreme Policy Council, and it might be worth noting that Dr. Riad chaired the two committees responsible for drafting the Special Economic Court Law as well as the Companies Law.

Dr. Riad has written numerous publications including two books entitled *The Applicable Law in Transnational Arbitration* and *the Egyptian Companies Law*, in addition to many articles about arbitration and litigation in Egypt in addition to the legal aspects of doing business in Egypt.

Dr. Riad was appointed as a member of the investment dispute settlement technical committee chaired by the prime minister of Egypt from January 2014 to December 2014. Among Dr. Riad duties in said committee understanding the different disputes in which Egypt is involved with among them are the disputes in relation to the pipeline and the supply of gas from Israel.

In May 2011, Dr. Riad was appointed as a member of the Consultative Council responsible for preparing drafts laws for the Egyptian Council of Ministries until June 2012.

Dr. Riad was the special legal advisor to the speaker of the Egyptian Parliament from 1992 till 2000, among Dr. Riad's responsibilities in this regard was review of Investment Laws and related Regulations.

Dr. Riad has an L.L.B from Cairo Law School (1980) and an L.L.M (1982) and SJD (1985) from Harvard Law School and in addition to being a member of the Egyptian Bar since 1982 and New York Bar since 1985.

Finally, Kosheri, Rashed & Riad Law Firm was chosen by Corporate INTL Legal Awards as Arbitration Law Firm of the Year in Egypt in 2015, it was chosen by Global Law Experts Legal Awards as the Dispute Resolution Law Firm of the Year in Egypt in 2015, it was chosen by Chambers and Partners as the Dispute Resolution: Arbitration in Egypt in 2015. Also, K, R and R was chosen M&A International Global Legal Awards as Corporate Law Firm of the Year in Egypt in 2015 and was chosen by ACQ Global Awards as Commercial Law Firm of the year in Egypt 2013.

